

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1-74. (Cancelled).

75. (Currently Amended) A method for performing an assessment comprising:

determining with a triggering system when an assessment of at least one insolvency fund associated with a plurality of insurers is needed based on one or more triggers;

performing with an assessment processing system the assessment of the at least one insolvency fund based on one or more factors when the determining determines the assessment is needed;

allocating with the assessment processing system a member assessment amount to each of the plurality of insurers based on the performed assessment; and

providing with a communication system notification of the allocated member assessment amount to each of the plurality of insurers.

76. (Currently Amended) The method as set forth in claim 75 wherein the one or more triggers comprise ~~at least one of~~ an insolvency of at least one of the plurality of insurers, a size of an insolvency of at least one of the plurality of insurers above an insolvency amount threshold, a current total amount in the at least one insolvency fund below a threshold amount, and an expiration of a first set period of time.

77. (Previously Presented) The method as set forth in claim 76 wherein the insolvency amount threshold comprises an amount needed to pay existing claims.

78. (Currently Amended) The method as set forth in claim 75 wherein the allocating with the assessment processing system the member assessment amount further comprising:

determining with the assessment processing system a member ratio for the allocating the member assessment amount to each of the plurality of insurers; and

applying with the assessment processing system each of the determined member ratios to a gross assessment amount obtained from the performed assessment to obtain the member assessment amount for each of the plurality of insurers.

79. (Currently Amended) The method as set forth in claim 75 wherein the one or more factors comprise at least one of one or more state rules and one or more state statutes relating to an insurance insolvency.

80. (Currently Amended) The method as set forth in claim 75 further comprising:

receiving with the communication system approval of the allocated member assessment amounts from each of the plurality of insurers; and

finalizing with the assessment processing system the allocated member assessment amounts based on the received approval.

81. (Currently Amended) The method as set forth in claim 75 further comprising:

receiving with the communication system at least one of new data and adjusted data relating to at least one of the performing the assessment and the allocating the assessment; and

adjusting with the assessment processing system the allocating the member assessment amount for at least one of the plurality of insurers based on the at least one of new data and adjusted data.

82. (Currently Amended) The method as set forth in claim 81 wherein the adjusting further comprises:

recalculating with the assessment processing system at least one new member ratio for allocating to at least one of the plurality of insurers; and

applying with the assessment processing system the at least one new determined member ratio to a gross assessment amount obtained from the performed assessment to obtain the member assessment amount for at least one of the plurality of insurers.

83. (Currently Amended) The method as set forth in claim 75 ~~wherein the adjusting~~ further comprises:

receiving with the communication system a reversal notification from at least [[on]] one of the plurality of insurers; and

reinstating with the assessment processing system the prior member assessment amount to each of the plurality of insurers in response to the received reversal notification.

84. (Previously Presented) A computer readable medium having stored thereon instructions for performing an assessment comprising machine executable code which when executed by at least one processor, causes the processor to perform steps comprising:

determining when an assessment of at least one insolvency fund associated with a plurality of insurers is needed based on one or more triggers;

performing the assessment of the at least one insolvency fund based on one or more factors when the determining determines the assessment is needed;

allocating a member assessment amount to each of the plurality of insurers based on the performed assessment; and

providing notification of the allocated member assessment amount to each of the plurality of insurers.

85. (Currently Amended) The medium as set forth in claim 84 wherein the one or more triggers comprise ~~at least one~~ of an insolvency of at least one of the plurality of insurers, a size of an insolvency of at least one of the plurality of insurers above an insolvency amount threshold, a current total amount in the at least one insolvency fund below a threshold amount, and an expiration of a first set period of time.

86. (Previously Presented) The medium as set forth in claim 85 wherein the insolvency amount threshold comprises an amount needed to pay existing claims.

87. (Previously Presented) The medium as set forth in claim 84 wherein the allocating the member assessment amount further comprising:

determining a member ratio for the allocating the member assessment amount to each of the plurality of insurers; and

applying each of the determined member ratios to a gross assessment amount obtained from the performed assessment to obtain the member assessment amount for each of the plurality of insurers.

88. (Currently Amended) The medium as set forth in claim 84 wherein the one or more factors comprise at least one of one or more state rules and one or more state statutes relating to an insurance insolvency.

89. (Previously Presented) The medium as set forth in claim 84 further comprising:

receiving approval of the allocated member assessment amounts from each of the plurality of insurers; and

finalizing the allocated member assessment amounts based on the received approval.

90. (Previously Presented) The medium as set forth in claim 84 further comprising:

receiving at least one of new data and adjusted data relating to at least one of the performing the assessment and the allocating the assessment; and

adjusting the allocating the member assessment amount for at least one of the plurality of insurers based on the at least one of new data and adjusted data.

91. (Previously Presented) The medium as set forth in claim 90 wherein the adjusting further comprises:

recalculating at least one new member ratio for allocating to at least one of the plurality of insurers; and

applying the at least one new determined member ratio to a gross assessment amount obtained from the performed assessment to obtain the member assessment amount for at least one of the plurality of insurers.

92. (Currently Amended) The medium as set forth in claim 84 further comprising:

receiving a reversal notification from at least [[on]] one of the plurality of insurers; and

reinstating the prior member assessment amount to each of the plurality of insurers in response to the received reversal notification.

93. (Previously Presented) A system comprising:

a triggering system that determines when an assessment of at least one insolvency fund associated with a plurality of insurers is needed based on one or more triggers;

an assessment processing system that performs the assessment of the at least one insolvency fund based on one or more factors when the determining determines the assessment is needed and allocates a member assessment amount to each of the plurality of insurers based on the performed assessment; and

a communication system that provides notification of the allocated member assessment amount to each of the plurality of insurers.

94. (Currently Amended) The system as set forth in claim 93 wherein the one or more triggers comprise ~~at least one of~~ an insolvency of at least one of the plurality of insurers, a size of an insolvency of at least one of the plurality of insurers above an insolvency amount threshold, a current total amount in the at least one insolvency fund below a threshold amount, and an expiration of a first set period of time.

95. (Previously Presented) The system as set forth in claim 94 wherein the insolvency amount threshold comprises an amount needed to play existing claims.

96. (Previously Presented) The system as set forth in claim 93 wherein the assessment processing determines a member ratio for the allocating the member assessment amount to each of the plurality of insurers and applies each of the determined member ratios to a gross assessment amount obtained from the performed assessment to obtain the member assessment amount for each of the plurality of insurers.

97. (Currently Amended) The system as set forth in claim 93 wherein the one or more factors comprise at least one of one or more state rules and one or more state statutes relating to an insurance insolvency.

98. (Previously Presented) The system as set forth in claim 93 wherein the communication system receives approval of the allocated member assessment amounts from each of the plurality of insurers and the assessment processing system finalizes the allocated member assessment amounts based on the received approval.

99. (Previously Presented) The system as set forth in claim 93 wherein the communication system receives at least one of new data and adjusted data relating to at least one of the performing the assessment and the allocating the assessment and the assessment processing system adjusts the allocating of the member assessment amount for at least one of the plurality of insurers based on the at least one of new data and adjusted data.

100. (Previously Presented) The system as set forth in claim 93 wherein the assessment processing system recalculates at least one new member ratio for allocating to at least one of the plurality of insurers and applies the at least one new determined member ratio to a gross assessment amount obtained from the performed assessment to obtain the member assessment amount for at least one of the plurality of insurers.

101. (Currently Amended) The system as set forth in claim 93 wherein the communication system receives a reversal notification from at least [[on]] one of the plurality of insurers and the assessment processing system reinstates the prior member assessment amount to each of the plurality of insurers in response to the received reversal notification.